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Route

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MEMORANDUM TO: [REDACTED] Chief, Collection Guidance Staff
ATTENTION : [REDACTED] OAI
THROUGH : Chief, Requirements Branch, Reconnaissance Group, CGS
FROM : Chief, CIA/PID (NPIC)
SUBJECT : Route 12B, Laos
REFERENCE : (1) Requirement No. C-DIA-61,092
 (2) CIA/PID Project No. C 395-64

1. This memorandum is in partial answer to the above referenced requirement which requested a detailed study of Route 12B in Laos.

2. Route 12B, approximately 150 km in length, connects Route 12 with Route 9. It is shown on ANS Map Sheets NE 48-11 and NE 48-15, of which annotated copies (CIA/PID/IB-P-1af/64 and P-429/64) have been enclosed. The junction with Route 12 is at coordinates 17°27'N - 105°05'E, at a point 7 km NW of Mahanay, and it joins Route 9 at coordinates 16°34'N - 105°05'E, which is 13 km WNW of Muong Phine. Due to the different road conditions found on Route 12B it has been divided into three sections and each is described separately as follows:

a. That portion of Route 12B from the junction with Route 12 to Mahanay is a single lane, improved road with a graded dirt surface. All streams on this section of road are crossed by means of wooden bridges. The road traverses comparatively level terrain, with no heavy grades encountered, and would not be subject to landslides. This road should be capable of carrying heavy traffic in good weather.

b. That portion of Route 12B from Mahanay to B. Na Khung, the junction with Route 12A, is only a jeepable trail. The stream at Mahanay is bridged by a low capacity possible pontoon bridge, but the remaining streams are forded. This portion of the route is used primarily by pack animals and humans on foot. No new construction or improvements could be seen.

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c. That portion of the Route 12B from B. Na Khung to the junction with Route 9 consists of a single lane, unpaved road. The road surface is dirt and is only maintained when adjacent to a village. The streams are either forded or crossed on low capacity wooden bridges. The Route stays in the valleys and so it does not appear to be troubled by severe grades or landslides. No new construction was observed on this Route. This portion of Route 12B is a fair weather road capable of supporting truck traffic.

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The analysts on this project were [REDACTED] who may be contacted on extension 2546, should you have any questions concerning this requirement. This is considered a partial answer to the requirement.

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Enclosures:

2' Annotated Maps
(CIA/PID/IR-P-428/64 and 429/64)

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SERIAL 415
EDITION 2-AMS

12B

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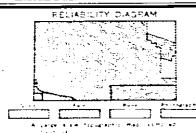
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LOCATION ALPHABET FOR NE 48-15	
NE 48-15	LS59



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CONTINUATION
MAP 120
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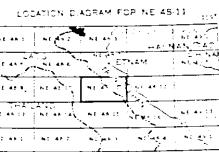
- Highways & Roads
- Two-lane, improved surface treated, graded
 - Two-lane, improved, graded
 - Single-lane, improved
 - Single-lane, unimproved
 - Jeep trail
 - - - Pack animal trail
- Bridge
- Ford
- Ferry
- Possible POL storage
- ▲ Possible maintenance facilities

12A

12B

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RELIEF PARTIALLY SKETCHED BY FORM LINES
TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION

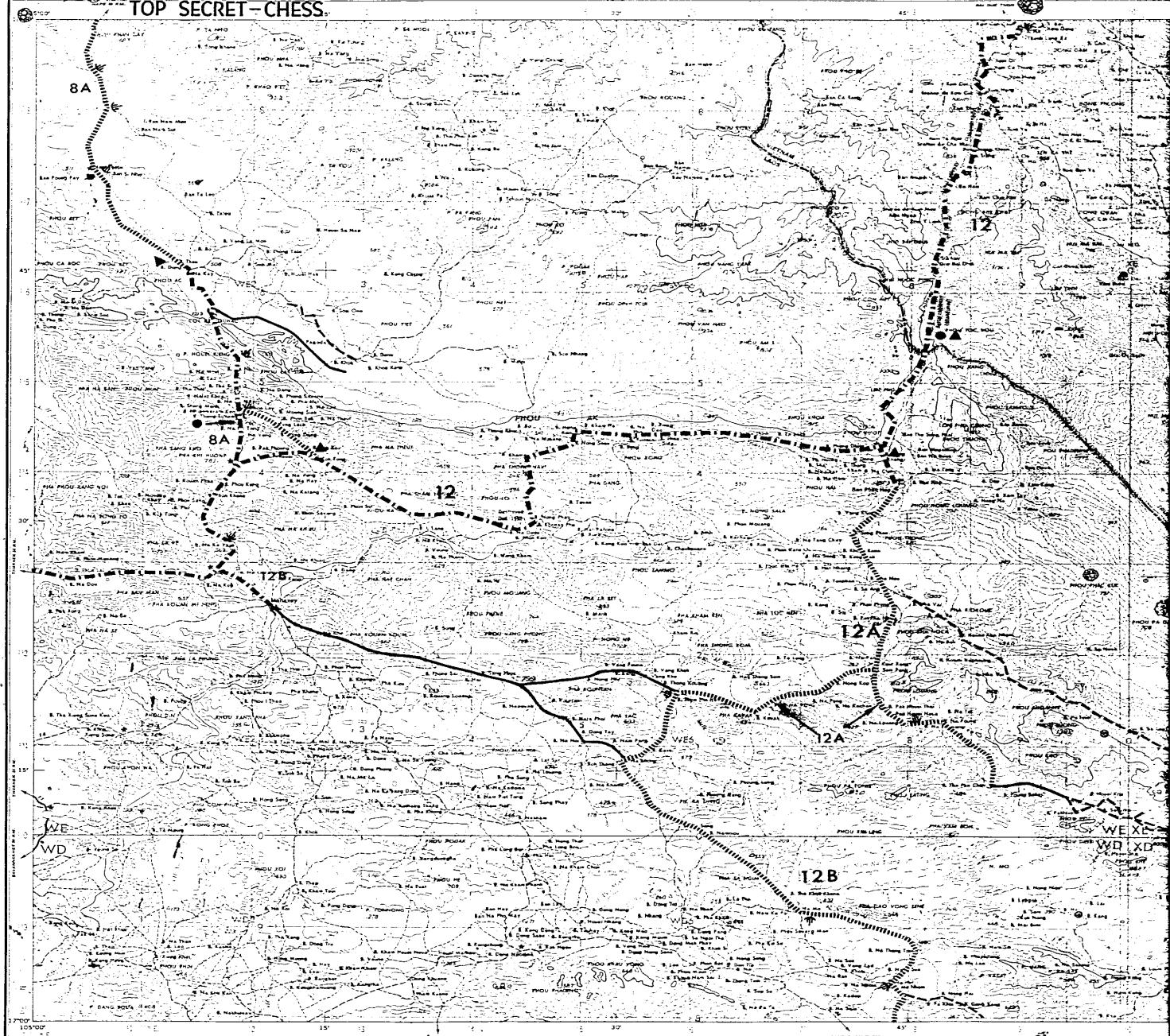


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